

**Implementation Timeline
Option 2: Expand the number of allowed state physical education (PE) credits to four**

1. The SBOE votes to expand the number of allowed state PE credits to four or to remove the limit of credits earned toward graduation for PE.	Timeframe	Sample Timeline
2. TEA consults with the UIL to determine any impact on regulations for athletics as extra-curricular activities.		March 2009
3. A discussion item to amend graduation requirements found in 19 TAC Chapter 74 to allow students to earn more than two credits for PE is placed on the SBOE agenda.		Spring 2009
4. A discussion item is placed on the SBOE agenda to amend graduation requirements found in 19 TAC Chapter 74 to allow activities that include athletics, drill team, marching band, cheerleading, and off-campus physical activity programs to substitute for up to four credits of physical education.		July 2009 (to align with timeline for amending Chapter 74 to address CTE course credits and other potential changes regarding flexibility in graduation requirements)
5. A discussion item is placed on the SBOE agenda to amend graduation requirements found in 19 TAC Chapter 74 to allow courses such as Band I-IV, Dance I-IV, JROTC, and CTE to substitute for up to four credits of physical education.		July 2009
6. A discussion item is placed on the SBOE agenda to amend 19 TAC Chapter 116 Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Physical Education to change the number of credits allowed per state approved physical education course from one-half credit to one credit.		
7. The proposed amendments to Chapter 74 and Chapter 116 are placed on the next SBOE agenda for first reading and filing authorization.	Approximately 2 months after discussion	September 2009
9. TEA files the proposed amendments to Chapter 74 and Chapter 116 with the Texas Register for official public comment.	30 days	October 2009
8. TEA staff receives and summarizes public comments and provides summaries of comments to SBOE members.		October/November 2009
9. The proposed amendments to Chapter 74 and Chapter 116 are placed on the next SBOE agenda for second reading and final adoption.	Approximately 2 months after first reading	November 2009
10. TEA files the amended graduation requirements and amended TEKS with the Texas Register as adopted.	Approximately 3 weeks after adoption	December 2009